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1. SPANISH PRESS CONTINUES TO WEAVE IMAGINATIVE TALES
ABOUT STATE OF AMERICAN NUCLEAR EQUIPMENT AND FUEL SALES
IN SPAIN. LATEST SPECULATIVE REPORTS ARE BASED ON
DER SPIEGEL (WEST GERMAN) ARTICLE SAYING FRG HAD WON
TWO MORE NUCLEAR REACTOR CONTRACTS IN SPAIN WITH TWO
MORE IN THE WINGS. EL PAIS SAID ARTICLE WAS OBVIOUS
REFERENCE TO TWO REACTORS FOR TRILLO PROJECT ALREADY
AWARDED TO GERMAN FIRM KWU AND TWO OTHER REACTORS
WHICH ARE A "TOTAL MYSTERY" TO SPANISH UTILITY COMPANIES.
GOES ON TO SAY SPAIN'S ADHERENCE TO NPT IS "REQUIREMENT
DEMANDED" BY US BEFORE FULFILLING ITS NUCLEAR COMMITMENTS.
AT LEAST ONE PAPER (ARRIBA) CARRIED "EXCLUSIVE " WIRE
SERVICE (EFE) INTERVIEW WITH DIRECTOR US ARMS CONTROL
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AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY PAUL WARNKE. UNDER TITLE
"UNITED STATES WILL PRESSURE SPAIN" ARTICLE INTERPRETS
WARNKE'S STATEMENTS TO SAY THAT US WILL PRESSURE SPAIN
AND OTHER COUNTRIES TO FOLLOW ITS LEAD IN DEFERRING
DEVELOPMENT OF FAST BREEDER REACTORS AND REPROCESSING
FOR PLUTONIUM AS WELL AS TO FORCE SPAIN TO SIGN THE NPT.

2. GERMAN AMBASSADOR TOLD CHARGE THAT GERMAN REACTOR SALE STORY WAS COMPLETELY UNFOUNDED.

3. COMMENT. POSSIBILITY OF EUROPEAN FIRMS REPLACING AMERICAN FIRMS AS PRINCIPAL NUCLEAR EQUIPMENT AND FUEL SUPPLIERS TO SPAIN REMAINS A LIVELY TOPIC FOR LOCAL

AS WELL AS FOREIGN MEWS MEDIA. UNTIL US ARRIVES AT SOME AGREEMENT ON REPROCESSING AND FAST BREEDERS WITH OTHER NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS AND MAJOR CUSTOMERS, WE CAN EXPECT FURTHER REPORTS OF THIS NATURE. EMBASSY CONTINUES TO REPLY TO INQUIRIES GENERATED BY THESE ARTICLES BY SAYING US WORK IN SPAIN'S NUCLEAR ENERGY PROGRAM CONTINUES APACE.EATON

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